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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFO ON POLITICAL PRISONER LEONEL
BLANDON

1. THE AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO HAS REQUESTED
OUR ASSISTANCE IN COLLECTING INFORMATION ON THE CASE OF
NICARAGUAN POLITICAL PRISONER LEONEL BLANDON, WHO HAS
APPARENTLY DISAPPEARED AFTER HIS ARREST IN NICARAGUA.
ACCORDING TO AMBASSADOR ROGERS, THE AUSTRALIAN LAW
COUNCIL HAS REQUESTED THE AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT TO INVESTIGATE THE BLANDON CASE ON BEHALF OF
AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL. SINCE AUSTRALIA HAS NO
DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE IN MANAGUA, ROGERS HOPED
EMBASSY MANAGUA COULD HELP OUT.

2. ACTION REQUESTED MANAGUA: WE WOULD APPRECIATE
ANY INFO YOU COULD PROVIDE ON BLANDON (THAT IS NOT BASED
SOLELY ON AI'S INVESTIGATION)
THAT COULD BE PASSED ON TO AMBASSADOR ROGERS. ROGERS
HAS BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE WITH THE EMBASSY AND WE WOULD
LIKE TO HELP HIM ANSWER HIS GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST.

3. ACTION REQUESTED DEPARTMENT: WE WOULD APPRECIATE
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ADVICE ON HANDLING SUCH REQUESTS, WHICH ARE BOUND TO
BECOME MORE FREQUENT. SHOULD WE HELP OTHERS TO INVESTI-
GATE HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS? WHAT IS DEPARTMENT'S
WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL? DO THEY
WANT USG ASSISTANCE OF THIS TYPE? WE WELCOME DEPART-
MENT'S COMMENTS. LUCEY

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